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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WARRICK COUNTY, INDIANA, PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AWARENESS COSTS WITH CARES ACT FUNDING

WHEREAS, in response to the national health emergency caused by the novel Coronavirus 2019 ("COVID-19"), the United States Congress enacted the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"), which allowed for the United States Treasury to distribute Coronavirus Relief Funds ("CRF") to States to be used for those purposes set forth in Section 601(a) of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 5001 of the CARES Act;

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana received a direct distribution of CRF, and, on November 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Indiana allocated additional CRF monies for local governments to support the public awareness, education, and compliance with those requirements and restrictions for counties as laid out in Executive Order 20-48 (the "Safety Awareness Program");

WHEREAS, under the Safety Awareness Program, Warrick County was allocated \$202,991.00 (the "Allocation Amount"), of which Warrick County requested distribution of the full amount from the Indiana Finance Authority ("IFA") on December 30, 2020;

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2021, the IFA approved Warrick County's request for its full allocation amount under the Safety Awareness Program;

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the Allocation Amount from the IFA, such funds shall be applied towards the purchase and acquisition of materials, equipment, supplies, and other items which are vital and necessary to Warrick County's COVID-19 response;

WHEREAS, Warrick County has designated CARES Act Fund 8900, through which such CRF disbursements are receipted ("Fund 8900");

WHEREAS, as a result of the Governor of Indiana's public health emergency, as declared on March 6, 2020, an alternative process is permitted to transfer all or a portion, as determined appropriate by the governing body of Warrick County, of disbursed Safety Awareness Program monies into the general fund;

WHEREAS, as a result of Governor's alternative process, the Allocation Amount can be used specifically to reimburse Warrick County for COVID-19 expenses already incurred in 2021 as part of the County's ongoing effort to combat COVID-19, as well as those future contractual obligations and other commitments of the County, so as to ensure that Warrick County and its citizens are prepared and equipped to respond to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, following the transfer of the Allocation Amount into the general fund, it is the purpose and intent that such monies be appropriated to Fund No. 1000.31116.000.0068, so as to appropriately and sufficiently facilitate Warrick County's ability to allocate its resources towards responding to COVID-19 throughout the County, including, without limitation, the payment of any contractual obligations incurred in 2021, as well as providing vital assistance to

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those non-profit organizations in Warrick County who have been negatively impacted by the effects of COVID-19 on the local economy.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County that the following alternative process is hereby established in order to utilize the Allocation Amount of Safety Awareness Program funds allocated to Warrick County:

- 1. Following the IFA's disbursement of the Allocation Amount, said monies shall be initially receipted into Fund 8900;
- 2. Thereafter, instead of moving expenditures from the originating fund to the Fund 8900, a claim shall be created against Fund 8900 for the amount, up to the Allocation Amount, that Warrick County determines shall be receipted into the general fund;
- 3. The monies claimed shall be receipted into the general fund, at which point the normal appropriation procedures shall apply to the expenditure of the Allocation Amount; and
- 4. Thereafter, it is the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County that such funds be appropriated to Fund No. 1000.31116.000.0068, as determined by the Warrick County Council, with such monies to be used and applied according to the purposes of said Fund.

This Resolution shall be effective as of February 8, 2021.

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Passed and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Warrick County this 8^{th} day of February, 2021.

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